# **POLITICS**

## **BUDGET CRISIS**

# July 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:56)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports that at the stroke of midnight, no shoe was big enough to fit a \$24-billion budget deficit. Lawmakers in Sacramento couldn't overcome their philosophical differences, and now the state may not be able to pay its bills.

## **SARAH PALIN RESIGNS**

# July 3, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Reporter David Goldstein reports breaking news about Alaska Governor Sarah Palin announcing her resignation, and that her last day will be at the end of the month. She didn't give any reason why, but speculation is she may be looking to concentrate on the Republican nomination for President in 2012.

#### **OBAMA MOSCOW**

# July 6, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Tara Mergener reports that President Barack Obama is in Moscow for his first summit with Russian leaders. And while nuclear weapons will dominate the talks between the two former Cold War rivals, there are plenty of other issues on the agenda.

#### **SUMMIT ENDS**

# July 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Charlie D'Agata reports from the Vatican on how President Barack Obama met with the Pope today for the first time. The two sat down for a half-hour meeting after the President wrapped up the G-8 Summit.

#### SOTOMAYOR

# July 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Hari Sreenivasan reports that the confirmation hearings for Judge Sonia Sotomayor are underway in Washington. If confirmed, she will be the first Latina to sit on the Supreme Court.

#### **BUDGET ADS**

# July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports details on the latest round in the battle to fix California's fiscal crisis. Budget talks are hitting a road block once again. And now special interest groups and the Governor himself are turning to the airwaves for support.

## CAPTURED SOLDIER

# July 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports that the U.S. Government is calling a 28-minute video nothing but propaganda, and says that finding the captured soldier from Idaho is a top priority.

# EARLY PRISONER RELEASE PROGRAM July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports that one of the money-saving measures being considered in Sacramento is sparking a major controversy. The proposal would allow for the early release of some prisoners. Politicians and police staunchly oppose the idea.

# **BUDGET/ARNOLD'S PEN**

# July 27, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Hank Plante reports that tomorrow California will officially have a new state budget. Governor Schwarzenegger's signature will mark an end to months of contentious negotiations. But there are already some noticeable changes in the state budget, even before it's signed tomorrow.

# **BEER SUMMIT**

# July 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports on what's being called 'happy hour' in the Rose Garden. Tonight, President Obama had beers with a Harvard professor and the police officer who arrested him. The incident sparked a nationwide racial controversy that only got worse when the President got involved.

# **CASH FOR CLUNKERS**

#### August 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:58)

KCAL9 Reporter Randall Pinkston reports that the government-funded program known as "Cash for Clunkers" was so popular, it created a massive backlog in the system. The money to fund it is almost gone, and there's a mad dash to take advantage of the program before it's too late.

## **NO CITY COUNCIL MEMBER**

# August 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports that the voters in L.A.'s District Two have been without a councilmember since July  $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ , since Wendy Greuel moved up the political ladder. Now residents could have to wait until the end of the year for new representation.

#### **RECALL CAMPAIGN**

# August 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 4:08)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that Republicans in a community east of Los Angeles are going after so-called "GOP traitors" in the state assembly who voted for tax hikes during the budget battle. Their target: Assembly member Anthony Adams, whose district includes Glendora, Monrovia and Claremont.

#### **MEXICO SUMMIT OBAMA**

# August 10, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:52)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that when the leaders of Canada, the U.S. and Mexico met with reporters, questions about health care directed to President Obama are what dominated the session.

#### MAYOR/COMMISSION

# August 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports details from downtown L.A., on how Mayor Villaraigosa has announced a nominee to the police commission that will help select a new police chief for the LAPD.

#### **OBAMA HEALTHCARE**

#### August 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 reporter Kathryn Brown reports that the debate over healthcare reform is getting louder. Tonight the White House has signaled it might back down from a key part of the President's reform plan.

#### PRISONER RELEASE

# August 19, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 4:16)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports on a controversial plan to reduce prison overcrowding. Earlier tonight we told you about Governor Schwarzenegger visiting the Chino Men's Prison, where a riot caused \$5-million in damage. The Governor believes the riot might have been sparked by a bigger problem.

## **OBAMA PROBLEMS**

# August 22, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:20)

KCAL9 Reporter Kimberly Dozier reports that it's getting to be a tough time for President Obama, whose poll numbers are starting to slip. Health care is among the major issues creating headaches for the President.

#### **BERNANKE STAYS**

# August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:47)

KCAL9 Reporter Alexis Christoforous reports that President Barack Obama today announced he's re-appointing Ben Bernanke as Chairman of the Federal Reserve. People on Wall Street are pleased, but others blame Bernanke for the foreclosure crisis which hit hard here in California.

## CUBAN/MISSION

# August 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that New Mexico Governor Bill Richardson says Washington should do more to improve relations with Cuba, and now he's on a mission. Richardson met with Cuban officials during a visit to the Communist country. He's formally there on a trade mission, but did talk about the issue of improving ties between the U.S. and Cuba.

# **KENNEDY FUNERAL**

# August 29, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 4:36)

KCAL9 Reporter Jim Axelrod reports that Senator Ted Kennedy has been laid to rest at Arlington National Cemetery. The burial capped an emotional day that began with a packed funeral mass in Boston.

# **GOVERNOR EMERGENCY INITIATIVE**

# September 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:06)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that tonight Governor Schwarzenegger says the state has the resources available to continue to fight the Southern California wildfires. But he's urging the state legislature to pass an emergency response surcharge to homeowners' insurance policies.

# **OBAMA SCHOOL SPEECH**

# September 4, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:30)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that a planned speech by President Obama to schoolchildren next week, has struck a nerve tonight with the right wing and set off a new political battle. Some school districts now say they will not show the speech, as one state

Republican leader charges the President wants to spread what he called "socialist ideology".

## **VAN JONES RESIGNS**

# September 7, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Reporter Mary Snow reports that the resignation of Van Jones is raising new concerns about the need for czars in the Obama Administration. The President already has appointed about 30 czars, specializing in everything from health to Mideast peace.

#### **DUVALL/ORANGE COUNTY**

# September 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Reporter David Goldstein reports on our top story—new developments involving disgraced Orange County lawmaker Mike Duvall. Tuesday night, KCAL9 broke the story showing Duvall caught on tape apparently bragging of extramarital sexual adventures. Now, Duvall denies he was unfaithful.

## **HEALTH CARE**

# September 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 Reporter Manuel Gallegus reports that a key group of Senators—three Republicans and there Democrats—may be close to reaching an agreement on health care reform tonight.

#### **OFFICIALLY REPRIMANDED**

## September 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Nancy Cordes reports from Washington, on how Congressman Joe Wilson called the President of the United States a liar during Obama's speech to a joint session of Congress. Now, the Congressman has been officially reprimanded.

#### YOUNG UNINSURED

# September 19, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:22)

NewsCentral Reporter Kimberly Dozier reports that almost half of young Americans between the ages of 19 and 34 have no health insurance. President Obama has recently targeted young Americans in his health reform plan. And it appears as though millions of them need it.

#### WHITMAN ANNOUNCEMENT

## September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

NewsCentral Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from the historic Villa Del Sol Shopping Center on Harbor Blvd. in Fullerton, to make a big announcement. The former CEO of eBay has made it official—Meg

Whitman tossed her hat into the political ring today in hopes of becoming California's next governor.

## CALIFORNIA GOP CONVENTION

## September 25, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:33)

NewsCentral Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports live from Indian Wells, where Republicans from all across California are gathering for a brainstorming session. The party, which has been struggling in recent years, says it's re-energized. All weekend they'll be planning strategy for victory at the ballot box next year.

#### **IRAN MISSILE TEST**

# September 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:36)

NewsCentral Reporter David Martin reports that Iran today successfully test-fired a series of long range missiles. The tests are adding even more urgency to planned talks this week between the Tehran government and the U.N. Security Council.

#### **CELL PHONE CITATIONS**

# July 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:48)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports on whether California drivers are following the cell phone law—apparently in many cities around the state, they are not. We went on a ride-along with the Highway Patrol to see how many drivers are not complying.

# **CHP MAXIMUM ENFORCEMENT**

#### **July 3, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:30)**

KCAL9 Reporter Cater Lee reports that for the holiday weekend, CHP will begin a "maximum enforcement period" to crack down on drunk driving, speeding and other offenses. The CHP says that last year, 41 people died on California roads during the holiday weekend, and almost half of them were not wearing seat belts.

#### FBI'S MOST WANTED

# July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor David Gonzales reports that we've teamed up with the FBI to help nab Southern California's most dangerous fugitives, including the 'Grandma Bandit' who robbed the same bank twice in Chino last year. Viewers can go to KCAL9-dot-com to see photos of the FBI's most wanted in L.A.

#### PEEPER ARRESTED

# July 10, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports live from Pasadena with the story of a parolee with a history of being a peeping Tom. Now he has been caught in the act hiding out in a ladies restroom at a Target store. We have the store security tape.

#### AMBER ALERT SUNDAY

# July 12, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:26)

KCAL9 Reporter Glen Walker reports that an Amber Alert is still in effect tonight for four children police say were abducted by their mother in Nevada. They may have been heading through Southern California to get to Mexico. Investigators say they were taken by their mother, who does not have custody of the children.

## **DEPUTY SHOT**

# July 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports that an L.A. County Sheriff's Deputy is recovering after he was shot in the shoulder. It happened during a gun battle with a suspect in Palmdale. We spoke with a woman who found herself right in the middle of it all.

# **ANAHEIM 7-11 ROBBERIES**

# July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:15)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from Anaheim at the scene of the latest heist, as police seek help to stop a string of convenience store robberies plaguing the Southland.

# **FUGITIVE CAUGHT**

# July 20, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live from Westwood, with the story of how one of the FBI's most wanted criminals has been arrested in Mexico, after being on the run for almost a decade.

# LARRY KING CASE DEAL

# July 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reports that a preliminary hearing is now underway in the Larry King murder. King was shot and killed at his Oxnard school, over gender issues.

# **LONG BEACH BOY SHOT**

# July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:10

KCAL9 Reporter David Goldstein reports live from Long Beach with the latest on our top story today at noon. A police manhunt is underway right now for two men who argued on a Long Beach street. There was gunfire, and a bullet hit a four-year-old boy.

# MYSTERIOUS MURDER

# July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from Parker Center with our top story at noon. Police just wrapped up a news conference on the arrest in the mysterious murder of a Los Feliz teenager. Police found Lily Burk's body in her car near Skid Row.

# TRAINING THE POLICE

# July 30, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that the Cambridge arrest and the "scholar vs. cop" war of words that followed, sparked more than just renewed debate about the racial divide in this country. It has also

raised new questions about police procedures and training. Tonight we take a closer look at that training.

## **FATAL HIT AND RUN**

# August 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:30)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Bryan reports that a 14-year-old boy was crossing Imperial Highway when he was run over and killed. Tonight emotional family members are speaking out, hoping the driver will be found.

# THROAT SLIT SURVIVOR

# August 4, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:47)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports live with a survivor story, of a 20-year-old Bellflower woman who was beaten, her throat slit, and left to die in a Canyon, but survived the violent attack. She climbed and clawed her way to safety, and even helped catch her suspected attackers.

#### MANSON

# August 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports part of his series, "40 Years After Helter Skelter". 40 years ago, Charles Manson and his followers went on a killing rampage that shocked the world and left L.A. reeling. It's unlikely Manson will ever be paroled, but that's not the case for some of his disciples.

#### **HOME INVASION**

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Branson reports live with the story of an upscale gated community that was not immune to home invasion robbers. A mother and her threeere children were asleep in their secured Diamond Bar home when the intruder entered.

#### ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING

# August 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:52)

KCAL9 Reporter Serene Brandon reports live from Burbank, where there was a bold and scary kidnapping attempt. A mother says she saw a man grab her three-year-old daughter right in front of her house. Police say the mother had just parked her car at home and was unloading the groceries, when the man tried to take the child.

#### ABDUCTION WARNING

# August 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports a warning tonight for parents in Orange County, where authorities say a man tried to abduct a 10-year-old girl close to her homes. Investigators say he tried to lure her away with money.

#### **MODEL INVESTIGATION**

# August 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live with the latest details on the case, as the search for Ryan Jenkins continues tonight. He's wanted for questioning in the death of model Jasmine Fiore, whose body was found in a suitcase. The hunt is all the more urgent, with news that Jenkins was once charged with attacking her.

#### SCHOOL COMPUTER BURGLARY

# August 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:09)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports a KCAL9 exclusive from Saint Elisabeth Catholic School in Van Nuys. A back to school shocker, as the computers the teachers and parents had spent years raising money to buy for the kids, were stolen by thieves in a matter of moments.

#### REDUCING VIOLENCE

# August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:28)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports live from police headquarters, with the story of how even though overall crime is down in L.A., gang violence is starting to creep up in South Los Angeles. Police are seeing the trend in the area east of the Harbor freeway, south of the ten.

#### **GLENDORA ARRESTS**

# August 28, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:01)

KCAL9 Reporter Jay Jackson reports live from Glendora, with details of how 170 drivers were arrested every day this past week for DUI's in L.A. County. It's all part of a huge end-of-summer crackdown.

#### **DEADLY DISCOVERY**

# September 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports live from the scene where there was a gruesome and bloody discovery. Two young women were found dead with their throats slashed, in North Hollywood. A third woman was found alive with knife wounds and slashed wrists. The grim discovery was made at a house on Irvine Ave. near Saticoy and Lankershim.

## **ARSON INVESTIGATION**

# September 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:23)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from the Command Center in Lake View Terrace with details of how investigators now are focusing on who started the Station Fire.

## SCHOOL STABBING

# September 8, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:19)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports live with our top story at noon. A violent attack at a local high school in Orange County. Police are searching for a teenager who stabbed a student at Sonora High School in La Habra.

#### **BODY PARTS**

# September 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:37)

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports that investigators in the Antelope Valley are baffled. Body parts keep showing up near Challenger Middle School. They're trying to figure out how they got there, and to whom they belong.

## **IMPERSONATING OFFICER**

# September 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports the details on how a sexual predator drove a black & white police cruiser and even wore a cop's uniform. Officers are looking for the man accused of stopping a victim on Western Ave., south of Auto Center Dr. in Buena Park. We provide tips on how to tell the difference between a fake and the real thing.

#### CHURCH SHOOTING

# September 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports on how Sheriff's deputies in Riverside County are on the hunt for five gunmen accused of shooting a Pastor. It happened at Our Lady of Tepeyac, in the 13-thousand block of Magnolia in the Home Gardens are of Riverside County.

#### **INVESTIGATION**

## September 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:45)

NewsCentral Reporter Drew Levinson reports that a man suspected of planning a terrorist attack has confessed to ties with Al Qaeda. The confession came after three days of intense questioning by FBI agents in Denver, Colorado.

## **SEX OFFENDER CHURCH**

# September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

NewsCentral Reporter Greg Mills reports on a controversy this afternoon over a registered sex offender who was hired to do some contract work at a school in San Bernardino. It involves a church that rents space to a charter school there.

# MANSION HOME INVASION

# September 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

NewsCentral Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports on our top story this hour—a frightening ordeal for a Beverly Hills family. A woman and her children hid inside a bedroom as a man burglarized their house. The break-in happened at a house on Hillgreen Drive near Pico Blvd., north of Hillcrest Country Club.

## **ROMAN POLANSKI**

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

NewsCentral Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A. with the latest on the legal battle, after the arrest of Roman Polanski. It has sparked an international tug-of-war over the fugitive movie director's fate. Polanski is fighting to get released and avoid extradition back here to L.A. where prosecutors want him to face 32-year-old sex abuse charges.

# **HEALTH & MEDICINE**

#### **OBESITY RISES**

# July 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 Reporter Drew Levinson reports that Americans are gaining more weight, and that could create a health crisis as baby boomers grow in the wrong direction. But new numbers show people of all ages are struggling with obesity.

## VITAMINS WARNING/CANCER

# July 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Drew Levinson reports that a lot of cancer patients take vitamins, and that could be a life-threatening mistake. He explains today's warning.

#### LOW-COST CLINICS

# July 6, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Maggie Rodriguez reports that one of the major issues Senator-elect Franken will be working on is health care reform. So far, Democrats and Republicans have yet to agree on any compromise. Meanwhile, Americans are looking for ways to reduce health care costs.

#### STRESS AND WEIGHT

# July 9, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 Reporter Sharon Tay reports on how today's economy is causing stress for a lot of people, and all that anxiety is creating a hefty problem: weight gain. What causes people to pack on the pounds, depends upon their sex.

#### **ACTIVE COMMUTERS**

# July 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:23)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports that many of us spend a lot of time every day commuting to work, but the way you spend that time can have a big impact on your health.

#### **ROBOT TUMOR REMOVAL**

# July 17, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 Reporter Karen Brown reports from New York, on how each year more than 31,000 Americans are diagnosed with kidney cancer. If caught early, the cancer can be surgically removed. Now new

technology is making the surgery more precise, and allows patients to recover much faster.

#### **SUNSCREEN HEAT**

# July 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports live from Irvine, with important tips. During a heat wave, it's easy to get sunburned. So it's important to know how well your sunscreen protects you.

## FIBROID SURGERY

# July 23, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:21)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports on a common health problem many women face every year. Now there's a new procedure to remove fibroid tumors that doesn't require invasive surgery.

#### **OBESITY REPORT**

# July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 Reporter Joel Brown reports from Washington, on how obese people spend more money on health care each year than their healthier neighbors. Now, the Centers for Disease Control is ready to tackle America's obesity problem head-on, with new ideas and new policies.

#### TUMOR SCAN

# July 31, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports tonight's Health Watch, on how UCLA scientists are using a special scan to figure out which brain cancer patients could benefit from a new drug. Doctors hope the technique will lead to less exposure to unnecessary side effects from chemo and radiation.

## **PARK FITNESS ZONE**

# August 1, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports on a new fitness trend, on how you can skip the gym and still get a workout, as all across the Southland, exercise equipment is popping up at local parks.

#### FISH OIL STUDY

# August 4, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports that there is additional evidence tonight that fish oil is good for your heart. Nothing fishy about a new study, which found fish oil may help those with good hearts and bad hearts.

# **SWINE FLU/ROUND TWO**

# August 7, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:51)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that with backpacks, binders and hand wipes, the back-to-school routine is changing because of swine flu. The government has put out guidelines to help schools get ready for round two. Schools won't have to close unless they have high-risk students or a severe outbreak.

# **VACATION MATTERS SUMMIT**

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Reporter Eric Wilkinson reports from Seattle, on how it's summertime so hopefully you'll be taking a vacation. But if you are, you may be one of the lucky few. Getaways are a topic being discussed at the first-ever Vacation Matters Summit.

#### **TEA REDUCES STRESS**

# August 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:32)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports that if you're stressed these days, we've got a solution—have a cup of tea! British researchers say drinking tea significantly reduces stress. They say it's not only the drink, but everything associated with the ritual of taking time out and preparing the tea.

## **STEEPING AWAY STRESS**

# August 17, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Drew Levinson reports that if you feel stressed, try to steep it away before doing anything else. More details are provided on the new study claiming that making a cup of hot tea can significantly calm you.

#### KOMMAH CITY OF HOPE

# August 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 3:02)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports an inspiring story of a brave cancer survivor. It's been a long road for Kommah McDowell. Doctors said her cancer treatment would keep her from having children, but she proved them wrong when she had her miracle, her son Christian.

#### **LONELY HEARTS ARTERIES**

# August 24, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:11)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports on how if you've ever suffered from loneliness, you know how painful it can be. But not only is it tough emotionally, it can actually be bad for your health. A new study says that's especially true for women.

# **SMOKE AIR PROBLEMS**

# August 26, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:23)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports live from Azusa with our top story, as the Morris Fire is burning in the Angeles National Forest. Some of the smoke has drifted into the San Gabriel Valley, making it more difficult to breathe. L.A. County officials have issued some recommendations.

## **AIR QUALITY HEAT**

# August 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:44)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff reports live from Whiteman Airport, as four fires rage across the Southland and temperatures are hitting triple digits in some spots. The air out there is not healthy, or good for flying.

# **BAD AIR**

# August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:03)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports live with tips on how to protect yourself and your family. At the moment, you only have to look outside your window to see just how thick the smoke is. People living in and around the fire zones are being asked to stay indoors because the air quality is unhealthy.

# **FIREFIGHTER FATIGUE**

# September 1, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:45)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff reports live from Santa Clarita to show us how the firefighters are coping. It's difficult and grueling work on the fire lines. And firefighters are at risk, many now in danger of fatigue and heat exhaustion.

# **CHILD CARE GUIDELINES**

# September 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:45)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that the number of cases of swine flu has spiked higher than ever since students across the country have gone back to school. Now federal health officials have issued guidelines for childcare providers to follow to keep kids safe.

# **DEFECTIVE MAMMOGRAMS**

# September 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports on the Bill that requires medical providers who operate mammogram machines to post the accuracy of their machines where patients and staff can see them. State Senator Jenny Oropeza wrote the bill after she saw KCAL Reporter David

Goldstein's exclusive investigation on defective machines, which we brought you right here on KCAL-9 News.

## **PROSTATE CANCER VIRUS**

# September 8, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:24)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that doctors now say prostate cancer might be preventable with a vaccine. Researchers working at the University of Utah and Columbia University have found a virus in 27% of the prostate cancer patients they studied. It was just a few years ago that scientists found the virus that causes cervical cancer.

# **BACK PAIN/PROCEDURE**

# September 10, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:42)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports on how back pain affects millions of Americans. Now some chiropractors are performing a new procedure they say offers promising results. The Spinal Correction Procedure uses a sound wave instrument to locate the source of pain or discomfort in the back or neck. The sound wave is aimed at the bone to gently move it back into place.

#### **DEPRESSION UCLA**

# September 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:25)

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that UCLA researchers have come up with a way to match up brain waves with the best medicine to treat depression. The test called 'BRITE' makes a computerized measurement of brain wave changes, which predict how effective certain medications will be.

#### **MEDICAL MARIJUANA RALLY**

# September 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Rachel Kim reports that the city of Lake Forest is working to shut down all its medical marijuana dispensaries. Dozens of protestors showed up last night at City Hall in south Orange County trying to stop that effort. We report from a dispensary along Town Center Drive in Foothill Ranch, just a couple miles from last night's protest.

#### **TEEN OBESITY**

## September 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:33)

NewsCentral Reporter Lisa Sigell reports on how teen obesity is an epidemic in our country. But some students from local schools are determined to do something about it. We're introduced to the innovative program they've created, and check out how it works.

# **SWINE FLU FAQ**

# September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

NewsCentral Orange County Bureau Reporter Michele Gile reports that health officials are dealing with a pandemic of swine flu. They're encouraging people to get the special vaccine, since the flu can be deadly. Doctors say it's absolutely crucial certain groups of people get the vaccine.

## **TAMIFLU SHORTAGE**

# September 25, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

NewsCentral Reporter Lisa Sigell reports that there have been four suspected swine flu outbreaks in L.A. County schools since classes got underway, which wasn't expected. But now TAMIFLU, the medication health care professionals turn to to treat all types of influenza, is in short supply.

# **COMMUNITY & MINORITY ISSUES**

#### **COMMUNITY REACTION**

# July 1, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from the Los Olivos Estate, where even though Michael Jackson's family ruled out a public or private viewing at Neverland Ranch, crews are busy doing things on the property as fans continue a pilgrimage there.

# FIRST AFRICAN METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH July 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports live from the First AME Church in South L.A., where there was a global telecast viewing of the Michael Jackson Memorial. This was held so that the fans who didn't get tickets to the Memorial could still take part in the festivities in this way.

# **STOP SUMMER HUNGER**

# July 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports live from the Ralphs store in Calabasas, on how nearly half a million people in the San Fernando Valley go hungry every day. And this year more people than ever before are affected. That's why KCAL-9 is proud to partner with Ralphs and the MEND Food Bank to encourage donations.

#### **50 YEARS LATER**

## July 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:11)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports that half a century after Rocketdyne suffered a nuclear meltdown, residents in Simi Valley are still waiting for the contamination to be cleaned up. But residents are determined not to give up the battle over the Santa Susana Rocketdyne Field Lab.

## **APOLLO ANNIVERSARY**

## July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:20)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports live from the Griffith Observatory where a celebration just got underway! 40 years ago today, one of the greatest achievements in human history took flight. Apollo 11 and its three astronauts lifted off for man's first moon landing.

#### **SUMMER NIGHTS**

# July 20, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:53)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that in some of L.A.'s highest crime neighborhoods, thousands are now enjoying some peaceful nights in local parks. The program is called, "Summer Night Lights", and it's designed to reduce gang violence by taking local parks away from the gangs.

#### **BOOKSTORE RE-OPENS**

# July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports that a bookstore in La Canada was hit by a big rig during a deadly crash. But now, it's open again. The accident killed a father and his daughter. It happened at the intersection of Angeles Crest Highway and Foothill Boulevard four months ago.

#### OC SAFETY LAYOFFS

# July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:53)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from Anaheim with details on how Orange County law enforcement is facing unprecedented cutbacks due to the recession. The county's probation department has already laid off dozens of employees.

## **CITRUS GROVE PARK**

# July 30, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from Riverside with details on how California Citrus Park has already dodged the bullet twice because of the state budget crisis. Now officials hope they can once again save the park from shutting down.

# **70<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**

# August 2, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports on a major milestone. With about half of all marriages in this country ending in divorce, a Southland couple deserves to be celebrated—they've stuck together for 70 years!

## **EUNICE KENNEDY SHRIVER**

# August 7, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:49)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports breaking news from Massachusetts. Eunice Kennedy Shriver is in the hospital in critical condition. Shriver is the sister of President John F. Kennedy and Senator Ted Kennedy, as well as Governor Schwarzenegger's mother-in-law.

#### JCC ANNIVERSARY

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:04)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports live from downtown L.A., on how it's been years since white supremacist Buford Furrow went on a shooting rampage at the North Valley Jewish Community Center. But while time has healed some wounds, it hasn't erased the awful memories.

#### **HOMEBOY INDUSTRIES**

# August 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports that the nation's largest anti-gang program is broke. Homeboy Industries, which is located on the eastern fringe of downtown L.A., has a \$5 million budget deficit this year, because of a big drop in donations and government contracts.

# **BUDGET CUTS**

# August 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 Reporter Jay Jackson reports that firefighters traveled door-todoor, through a community still haunted by disaster, but this time they were warning residents about budget cuts, and the fight against emergency service brownouts.

## **BARBER SHOP COMEBACK**

# August 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from Fontana with how a local barber is bringing the barbershop back to its roots! From a hot towel shave to macho-primping, he's reviving a dying art many of us grew up with.

#### THINK CURE THANKS

# August 24, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:39)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports that thanks to you, our viewers and Dodgers fans, this year's "Think Cure" campaign raised more than \$200,000 for cancer research. It's a cause dear to the team players, as well as here at KCAL-9 and CBS-2 News.

## **MOUNTAIN CLIMBING MOMS**

# August 25, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:43)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports on how two local women prepare to risk their lives to help victims of a crippling disease. They have sons suffering with Duchene Muscular Dystrophy. The Newport Beach mothers will leave Thursday to climb Mt. Rainier in Washington.

#### **EVACUATION CENTER STATION**

# August 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:50)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from one neighborhood in La Canada Flintridge with a look at just how close the flames are. Several homes are literally in the line of fire as flames march toward them. Residents being told to leave can head to La Canada Flintridge High School at 4463 Oak Grove Drive for assistance.

#### PIERCE COLLEGE

# August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:54)

KCAL9 Reporter Amy Johnson reports live from Pierce College with details on how the fires are sweeping through rugged, open country. Many of the people who live there have horses and other livestock, and doing what they can to protect their animals. The answer for many is Pierce College in Woodland Hills.

#### **FIREFIGHTER FAMILIES**

# August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from Palmdale near the Quinones home, where we're learning more about one of the heroic firefighters killed yesterday in the Station Fire. L.A. County firefighter Arnie Quinones was soon to be a father for the first time.

#### **RAFER JOHNSON HONORED**

# September 1, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:12)

KCAL9 Anchor David Gonzales reports that the L.A. County Board of Supervisors honors Olympic hero Rafer Johnson. Johnson won the gold medal in decathlon at the 1960 Olympics. Today, the Board honored him for his contributions as a humanitarian, for co-founding the Special Olympics 40 years ago.

#### **VIETNAM WALL**

# September 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:32)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports that Southern Californians can pay their respects to Vietnam vets, without traveling to the nation's capital. A moveable version of the Vietnam Memorial is making its way through Southern California. The Dignity Memorial Vietnam wall is now in Westlake Village.

#### **BANNING NUDITY**

# September 7, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports on how for years now, the worst thing these naked sunbathers exposed themselves to

was sunburn, but starting tomorrow, it'll be 'cover up or pay up' at a well-known nude beach at San Onofre State Park.

## **FIREFIGHTER**

## September 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:00

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that L.A. County firefighter Arnaldo Quinones is being buried this hour at a private family funeral in Lancaster. Quinones was one of two firefighters killed in a crash while trying to outrun flames near Mount Gleason during the Station Fire.

#### **DODGER NUTS & BOLTS**

# September 12, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 3:59)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports our top story tonight—a poignant memorial for two L.A. County firefighters who were killed battling the Station Fire in the Angeles National Forest.

#### **CHURCH SERVICE**

# September 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:17)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from the service in Victorville, as a funeral is underway for one of the heroes of the deadly Station Fire. 47-year-old L.A. County fire Captain Ted Hall died August 30<sup>th</sup> as he tried to help others escape the flames.

#### COASTAL CLEANUP

# September 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

NewsCentral Reporter Rita Garcia reports on a massive clean-up today at L.A. county beaches and beyond. Thousands of volunteers gathered at beaches, parks and even storm drains across the county, including a big gathering at Dockweiler State Beach, not far from LAX.

## **HISTORIC RESTAURANT**

# September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:00

NewsCentral Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that downtown Riverside's Jackson building, central to the city's Japanese community in the early  $20^{th}$  century, has been added to the California Register of Historic Resources.

#### LABOR OF LOVE

# September 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:45)

NewsCentral's Laura Diaz reports on a labor of love for members of the LAPD SWAT team—they volunteered to work with Habitat for Humanity, to renovate homes for low-income families in Pacoima.

# **LOMA LINDA RED LIGHTS**

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:18)

NewsCentral Inland Empire Bureau Reporter Greg Mills reports live from the corner of Barton Road and Anderon Street, with the story of how Loma Linda could be getting rid of its red light cameras. The City Council is considering a plan to remove the cameras installed at intersections in the San Bernardino community.

# **CONSUMER & ECONOMICS**

## **FOOD LABELING**

# July 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:05)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from San Bernardino, on how starting today you will know exactly how many calories you'll be chowing down at any chain restaurant. A new law takes effect today, and we explain what it's all about.

#### **MONEY 101**

## July 5, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:43)

KCAL9 Reporter Bob McCormick reports in tonight's Money 101, that credit card companies are finally admitting what many consumers have known for a while. This week, Citibank admits it's raising rates on millions of customers.

## **CAR INSURANCE**

# July 6, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Money 101 Reporter Bob McCormick reports that major changes are in store for your car insurance policy. Now the miles you drive will be more important down the road, because how much and 'how' you drive will be overriding factors in how much insurance you need.

#### **GARAGE SALES**

# July 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Dorothy Tucker reports that if you're looking to make more money, look no further than your own home. More and more people are having garage sales, selling things they no longer need, so we explain the best ways to get the best prices.

#### **RENT VS. BUY**

# July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:23)

KCAL9 Reporter Paula Ebben reports that home prices are down, interest rates are low, and the government is giving away thousands of dollars in incentives to first time homebuyers. So the question is, is now the time to buy or are you better off renting? We explain how the answer is, "both".

## **CASH FOR CLUNKERS**

# July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:08)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from Claremont with details on how the "Cash for Clunkers" program begins tomorrow. But as it's turning out, what you get may depend more on your negotiating skills than the rules.

#### **CASH FOR KEYS**

# July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports live from Woodland Hills on how now there is a "Cash for Keys" program. This one is offered by banks who don't want folks to trash a foreclosed home before leaving it.

#### POST OFFICE CLOSURES

# July 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:20)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live from Orange, where at least one Post Office could be on the 'chopping block', as the U.S. Postal Service faces a \$7-billion budget deficit.

## **LOAN MOD SQUAD**

# August 1, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Reporter Bob McCormick reports the Money 101 on tips to avoid becoming a victim of mortgage modification scams that promise to save your home, but never deliver. Now the government is cracking down on these scams.

#### **D.I.Y. DANGERS**

# August 4, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports on how if the homes needs a major repair and you're thinking about skipping the contractor, saving the money and doing it yourself, it can be a good idea but it can also be downright dangerous. Sometimes the best laid plans can go painfully wrong.

#### **WATER TAXI**

# August 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:11)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports live on how the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce would like to see a flotilla of water taxis ferrying customers from one business to another. The idea sounds good on paper, but will it float?

#### **NEW POWER DISTRICT**

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:25)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports on how you could see a big drop in your electric bills this fall. Edison is asking the Utility Commission for permission to create a new billing district for western Riverside County and the Rancho Cucamonga-Chino Hills area. We explain what this means.

#### **SHOE BUSINESS**

## August 13, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports live with details on how just like every industry, the shoe business is down. The recession has forced many people to think twice about spending money, even when it comes to fixing their shoes.

#### **STATE PARKS**

# August 16, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:34)

KCAL9 Reporter John Blackstone reports on how budget cuts will be affecting the National Parks many take for granted. Here in California nature lovers will soon be feeling the pinch of our state's budget shortfall.

## **FIRE INSURANCE**

# August 19, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:46)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports a warning to anyone who values their home, as insurance commissioners want you to be prepared for fire season. Members of the L.A. County Insurance Commission toured the devastated Oakridge Mobile Home Park in Sylmar today. That's where a wildfire burned down almost 500 homes last fall.

#### **GARAGE SALES FAKE 100'S**

# August 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Rita Garcia reports on how weekends are the time when bargain-hunters head to garage sales to score a treasure. But people running garage sales in Long Beach are being warned to watch out for those thieves trying to pull a fast one.

#### **HIGH-TECH TICKET TOOL**

# August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports on a high-tech tool that does in a minute what might take days if done by a parking officer. Now more students at two local college campuses are going to have to pay for parking violations. The tool is in use at Cal State Northridge and also at Cal State Fullerton, north of Anaheim.

#### **U-HAUL FREE STORAGE**

# August 28, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:26)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reports that U-Haul wants to help residents who've been affected by the wildfires. They're offering fire victims 30 days of free storage at four Southern California facilities. In Covina, Canyon Country, San Bernardino and Moreno Valley. Additional details are available on KCAL9.com.

#### **EVACUATION COMPENSATION**

# August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:32)

KCAL9 Reporter Bob McCormick reports that thousands of residents of the fire zones who were subject to mandatory evacuations should be compensated for the expenses. McCormick provides the update on what should be covered if you had to leave your home.

#### WHAT TO TAKE

# September 1, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Amy Johnson reports that if a wildfire forces you to evacuate, would you know what to take with you? We help provide the answer.

#### UNEMPLOYMENT

# September 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Reporter Rick Garcia reports the numbers behind the fact that Wall Street wrapped up for the holiday weekend on a positive note. Investors took a look at the latest unemployment report and apparently decided the good outweighed the bad.

#### UNEMPLOYED RALLY

# September 7, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:33)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports that though it's a holiday for workers, but for those without jobs this 'Labor Day' was about creating an opportunity to get back into the work force. We report on one creative pink-slip party.

# PENSION PROTECTION

# September 10, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:33)

KCAL9 Reporter Bob McCormick reports that with the stock market shrinking our savings, company pension plans become more important than ever. We'd like to think they're rock solid, but are they safe?

#### **DIGITALLY REMASTERED**

#### September 13, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff reports on how last Wednesday the Beatles sparked another musical revolution. The fab four's music has been digitally remastered, and the fans are loving it. Malkoff was at a Hollywood record store when the new CD's went on sale.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT CENTER**

# September 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:41)

KCAL9 Reporter Stacey Butler reported that the job market might be in the doldrums but business is booming at the Verdugo Jobs Center in Glendale. So many people have been coming through its doors, the center is now hiring to deal with all the job-seekers.

#### **CONSUMER CREDIT**

# September 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:26)

NewsCentral Reporter Ben Tracy reports from Lake Forest, on how millions of consumers would love to buy a new car or even a new house, but can't get the credit. We're not talking about people looking to buy something they can't afford, but rather well-qualified consumers are now shut out of the market.

## WATERFRONT PROJECT

# September 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

NewsCentral Reporter Dave Lopez reports on how the San Pedro Port may be getting a billion-dollar makeover. The L.A. Board of Harbor is set to vote next week on a waterfront revival that could bring energy back into the Ports of Call Village.

#### PROPOSED RATE HIKE

# September 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:14)

NewsCentral Inland Empire Bureau Reporter Mark Sayre reports that some Riverside County residents who rely on public transportation will now have to pay more. The Riverside Transit Agency covers all of Riverside County, and has just approved a proposal to raise fares.

# **RETAIL COMEBACK?**

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

NewsCentral Reporter Bob McCormick reports that retailers may finally see consumers breaking through the recessionary clouds in time for the holidays. It could be the first sunny selling-season in three years.

#### TWITTER PORNOGRAPHY

# July 1, 3-3:30pm newscast (TRT 2:10)

KCAL9 Reporter Jeff Ehling reports that Twitter is becoming more popular every day. More and more teens are signing up, and that should have some parents concerned, as inappropriate content like pornography can be sent to Twitter accounts.

# **AUTOMOTIVE HIGH SCHOOL**

# July 3, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

KCAL9 Reporter Alexis Christoforous introduces us to a group of local students who are keeping their wheels turning. With the unemployment rate rising, it can be tough to find a job right now. But having a specialty can help you ride out the recession until your dream job comes along.

#### **BRITISH KID**

# July 7, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that 12-year-old "Britain's Got Talent" star Shaheen Jafargholi was one of dozens of celebrities to honor Michael Jackson at the Staples Center.

#### SPRING ADMISSION

# July 10, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:55)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from San Bernardino on how for the first time, California State University will not accept any new students for the spring semester.

#### PERFECT SAT STORE

# July 13, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:51)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff introduces us to Brandon Lee, and the story of a bright future! This is the kind of student teachers dream about, and colleges fight over.

#### **TEEN SAILOR RETURNS**

# July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Malkoff reports live from Marina Del Rey where a local teenager is now the youngest person ever to sail around the

globe alone. 17-year-old Zac Sunderland just returned from his odyssey.

## STUDENT BUDGET MARCH

# July 20, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Reporter Sharon Tay reports that dozens of children gathered in front of the Governor's office in downtown L.A. to sound off about the state budget. They staged something of a sit-in, waving handmade signs to criticize the Governor's proposed budget cuts.

#### **COUSIN STOPS KIDNAPPER**

# July 23, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:53)

KCAL9 Reporter Dave Lopez reports on how a kidnapped three-yearold was rescued by his quick-thinking 11-year-old sister and 12-yearold cousin. The child was playing on a slide at Ponderosa Park in Anaheim on Monday, when he was snatched by a stranger.

# INNER CITY ARTS

# July 27, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:30)

KCAL9 Reporter Maggie Rodriguez reports on how arts programs are the first to go at struggling schools. But an enterprise with private industry is starting to change the trend, as one partnership is opening the world of music and theater to inner-city students.

# **TEACHERS PLAY**

# July 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Reporter Suraya Fadel reports on how a little bit of laughter helps even more in these tough economic times. In Mission Viejo, a group of high school English teachers is taking that message to the stage, helping raise money for a college scholarship by putting on a play.

#### **TEN-YEAR-OLD HERO**

# July 31, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:50)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports that a quick-thinking ten-year-old girl saw masked men enter a Thousand Oaks bank, and went for help to call 9-1-1. The ten-year-old was waiting in a car in the parking lot while her father ran in for what he thought was a quick transaction. The girl saw the four robbers pull up and get out of their car.

# **FOUR-YEAR-OLD HOLE IN ONE**

# August 2, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Reporter Ryan Lieber reports on the shot heard around the world, because at four years old, this child nearly became the youngest golfer ever to hit a hole in one.

#### **CANCER BLOOD DRIVE**

# August 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:51)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that a Calabasas boy is giving back to the community that supported him during his battle with cancer. 12-year-old Kevin Cardasco has been fighting Stage 4 neuroblastoma for more than two years. He's now the Honorary Chairperson of a blood drive and bone marrow match at the Calabasas Library.

## **NO HOMEWORK**

# August 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:53)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports that surely most children would love a life with no homework, and one district in Louisiana is trying that out. The Principal at an elementary school there says the new policy of doing most of the homework at school, is just a test. The goal is to have children spend more quality time with family.

#### KID PAINTER

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:56)

KCAL9 Reporter Richard Roth reports that a local artist in eastern England is attracting international attention. He introduces us to the seven-year-old phenom.

# SPECIAL NEEDS CHILDREN

# August 13, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 0:30

KCAL9 Anchor Sharon Tay reports that the Rayen Apartments in North Hills opened today, serving as home to the formerly homeless and foster children with special needs. The complex will also house low-income families. The Rayen Apartments are one of the first developments completed using funding from the L.A. Permanent Supportive Housing Program.

# **TEEN PILOT HONORED**

# August 17, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:29)

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports on the high-flying honors for two Compton teenagers. One sister became the youngest African American to fly solo across the country, and the other sister broke a world record as well!

# **HOMELESS BOY HONORED**

# August 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Rick Chambers reports on a child who was only eight years old but yet knew what to do when he witnessed a brutal crime. Dimas Reyes was one of three citizens honored today by the L.A. County District Attorney, for having the courage to stand up to a criminal.

#### KID CRUSADER

# August 19, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reports that you could call a Ventura County boy a 'kid crusader' when it comes to climate change. 15-year-old Alec Lopez is the creator of "Kids vs. Global Warming". It's a non-profit group to get youth involved with saving the planet.

#### SCHOOL BUDGET CRUNCH

# August 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Reporter Christine Romans reports that schools alls across the Southland are facing desperate times. But some schools are using creative financing to help their communities out. Some students and parents are being forced to "pay to play".

## SCHOOL CHOICE

## August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 Reporter Mark Coogan reports live from downtown L.A., on a crucial day for L.A.'s hundreds of thousands of students in public schools. The Board decides today whether some schools could be run by private operators.

#### KID SAVES COACH

# August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:36)

KCAL9 Reporter David Goldstein reports that Downey High School's cross country coach is alive today thanks to an amazing chain of events. If just one link had been broken, John Kosarich would be dead. This is the heartwarming story of this heart attack survivor and the heroes who saved his life.

# THE NEXT GENERATION

# August 28, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 2:46)

KCAL9 Anchor Sylvia Lopez reports that as they have done many times before, the extended Kennedy clan came together over these past few days. But even as they say their final goodbyes to Uncle Ted, the focus now turns to the next generation of Kennedys.

#### SCHOOL CLOSURES

# August 31, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 0:34)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reports that the Station Fire has prompted nearby schools to cancel classes and extracurricular activities. We provide a comprehensive list of the schools that are closed and additional details.

#### **BACK TO SCHOOL**

# September 2, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Reporter Rita Garcia reports a sure sign that progress is being made in the Station Fire—kids are going back to school, though not in all affected districts.

#### **MDA SUMMER CAMP**

# September 3, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:36)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reports that the Muscular Dystrophy Association had to cancel some of its summer camp sessions this year, due to outbreaks of the swine flu. Many of the campers have weakened respiratory muscles. But plans are already underway for next year's MDA Summer Camp and it will be better than ever.

# **SCHOOL SPEECH**

# September 7, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:54)

KCAL9 Reporter Glen Walker reports that it's been hotly contested, but we now know exactly what President Obama is set to say to millions of school children tomorrow. Amid attacks from conservative critics who worry children are being indoctrinated with Obama's political agenda, the White House is releasing the complete speech. The main idea: challenging kids to get good grades.

#### **HEART WALK PREVIEW**

# September 10, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:13)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports that people from all over the country are turning out to help raise money to fight heart disease. She introduces us to a young girl who is just one of the patients who may benefit from this weekend's event.

# **EDUCATION/PSA**

# September 13, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:26)

KCAL9 Reporter Juan Fernandez reports that comedian and activist Bill Cosby visited Detroit today to take a PSA urging parents to be more involved with their children's education. Cosby started a foundation to

help students with learning disabilities, in honor of his son who  $\underline{w}$  as shot while changing a tire on an L.A. freeway.

# OC SCHOOLS BEST IN NATION

# September 16, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Pat Harvey reports that four Orange County schools are now officially among the nation's best! The U.S. Department of Education today named two public and two private Orange County schools as 2009 Blue Ribbon Schools.

# **NEW HESPERIA SCHOOL**

# September 18, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports that the city of Hesperia gets a new school. Today is the grand opening of Oak Hills High School. The school is on Cataba Road, about two miles south of the Main St. exit off the 15 freeway.

## **OVERCROWDED LAUSD**

# September 22, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

NewsCentral Reporter David Goldstein checked out the classes at Fairfax High, reporting on how the new school year is off to a crowded start in L.A. Unified School District. Some classes are so cramped, kids have no place to sit down.

#### **GET TO KNOW NATURE**

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:56)

NewsCentral Anchor David Gonzales reports that dozens of kids got in touch with nature this weekend at the L.A. Zoo. It's part of an international program that encourages kids to get active and be creative.

#### SCHOOL TAKEOVER

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:40)

NewsCentral Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports that there could soon be big changes at some local schools. The schools are some of the worst of the underperforming schools in the L.A. Unified School District.

#### **GRILL FIRES**

# July 1, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 0:40)

KCAL9 Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that a simple barbeque can turn into an inferno because of a grill. Thousands of these fires happen every year, costing about \$80-million in property damage. Safety experts explain there is a common cause. As a rule, keep grills about ten feet from the house and three feet from flammable liquids.

#### ANGELES FOREST BRUSHER

# July 5, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:00)

KCAL9 Reporter Glen Walker reports that firefighters are making progress against a brush fire in the Angeles National Forest. The fire broke out this afternoon in Little Tujunga Canyon, near where the Marek Fire burned last fall. At least 130 acres have been scorched, but tonight it is about 60% contained.

# WHITTIER OIL DRILLING

# July 9, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 4:39)

KCAL9 Political Reporter Dave Bryan reports that our state budget problem has many California communities facing deep cuts and the prospect of flashing services. One of them is the city of Whittier, where they're once again considering drilling for oil.

#### **HEAT WATCH**

# July 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 4:32)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Greg Mills reports live from Corona with our top story today, as Southern California is on Heat Watch. This is part of comprehensive live team coverage, including Michele Gile reporting live from Orange County and Josh Rubenstein from our Weather Center in the studio.

#### **INLAND EMPIRE HEAT**

# July 16, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:59)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from hot and sticky Fontana, as we're on Heat Watch. Temperatures are about to break into triple digits in some areas.

# **POLLUTION BEFORE BIRTH**

# July 20, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:44)

KCAL9 Reporter Karen Brown reports a first of its kind discovery that every mom-to-be should know. For the first time, scientists claim there is a link between your baby's IQ, and air pollution.

# **SHARK CAUGHT**

# July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:42)

KCAL9 Ventura County Reporter Amy Johnson reports on a local fisherman who went out to fish, but hooked one he never imagined. The fisherman couldn't believe his eyes when he saw a Great White on his line.

#### LARGE SURF

# July 23, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:02)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports live at the wedge in Newport Beach with details on how we can expect large surf and very dangerous conditions through the weekend, and especially today. A strong storm system in the Southern hemisphere could send waves to south-facing beaches up to 20 feet high.

#### **BREAKWATER STUDY**

# July 27, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:03)

KCAL9 Reporter Melissa McCarty reports live with the results of a new study and what it means to you. Major changes could be coming to Long Beach, as the city is taking steps that could lead to a major overhaul of the Long Beach breakwater.

#### OIL DRILLING DEBATE

# July 30, 10-11pm newscast (TRT 2:07)

KCAL9 Reporter Rita Garcia reports live from Baldwin Hills on how a proposal to drill more oil wells in Baldwin Hills—home to the nation's largest urban oil field—has neighbors up in arms. The residents have a new plan of attack against the wells.

#### **COW WASTE POWER**

# August 1, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:35)

KCAL9 Reporter Reynolds Wolf reports that cow power is generating excitement in Pennsylvania. One industrious dairy farmer decided to not let anything go to waste.

#### **RED BUGS**

# August 4, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 2:00)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Dave Lopez reports on a tiny discovery in Orange County that's creating a big buzz among scientists. The new find is an insect called the 'red bug'. We take a closer look.

#### **EARTHQUAKES**

# August 7, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:44)

KCAL9 Anchor Dave Gonzales reports how California is being rattled by earthquakes today. The latest quake was a 2.6 aftershock to an earlier one in Fontana. We show how it looked on the KCAL9 News Seismograph.

#### TYPHOONS/IN ASIA

# August 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 1:36)

KCAL9 Reporter Hari Sreenivasan reports that typhoons caused widespread destruction across Asia today. In Taiwan, hundreds of people were buried by a mudslide. Japan, the Philippines and China have also been hit hard.

#### SANTA CRUZ FIRE

# August 13, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:28)

KCAL9 Reporter Anna Duckworth reports from the town of Davenport, on how an out-of-control wildfire is raging through the towering pines in the Santa Cruz Mountains. Hundreds of people have been evacuated. The 23-hundred acre wildfire is burning timber and brush near the town of Bonny Doon.

#### **HURRICANE ALLEY**

# August 16, 9-10pm newscast (TRT 1:46)

KCAL9 Reporter Hari Sreenivasan reports on what we can expect this hurricane season, and how 'hurricane alley' has its name for a reason—there storms have already lined up one after the other. Tropical Storm Claudette is first up, but two others that could be bigger are right behind her.

#### CAR CRUSHING

# August 19, 4-5pm newscast (TRT 1:57)

KCAL9 Reporter Randy Paige reports that the Cash for Clunkers program is proving to be just as good for auto dismantlers and recyclers as it is for car buyers, the economy and auto dealers. He shows us the process of reducing the used cars to scrap metal.

#### **HURRICANE BILL**

# August 22, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:38)

KCAL9 Hari Sreenivasan reports that Hurricane Bill is swirling up the east coast, churning up rough seas and creating dangerous rip tides up and down the eastern seaboard.

## **HIGH OC SURF**

# August 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:33)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee reports on how high surf is expected along the Southern California coast later this week because of a tropical storm. Tropical storm Ignacio is churning about 650 miles south of Baja, and is expected to send high waves to Newport Beach, Huntington Beach, Seal Beach and Sunset Beach.

#### FIRE TEAM COVERAGE

# August 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9's live team coverage of the most up-to-date information on all four of the fires burning here in Southern California, includes KCAL9's Randy Paige in La Canada Flintridge where flames threaten hundreds of homes.

# STATION COMMAND CENTER

# August 31, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:30)

KCAL9 Anchor Mia Lee introduces our live team coverage, as we are on Fire Watch. Our coverage takes us to several locations to bring you the most up-to-date information. We begin with KCAL9's Lisa Sigell, live at the Command Center in Hansen Dam.

#### FIRE WATCH

# September 1, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 3:09)

KCAL9 Reporter Lisa Sigell reports from the Command Center in Lake View Terrace, as part of our live team coverage of the fires. She has a lot of answers to questions people have been asking about how this fire is being fought.

#### **ARSON STATION**

# September 4, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:06)

KCAL9 Reporter Kirk Hawkins reports live from the Command Center in Lake View Terrace with more on how it has been ten days since the largest fire in L.A. County history was intentionally set. Firefighters now seem to have the upper-hand, but they continue the battle with heavy hearts.

## STATION FIRE

# September 7, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 2:25)

KCAL9 Reporter Kristine Lazar reports that the stubborn Station Fire has now swept across more than 157-thousand acres. It is 56% contained, has destroyed 78 homes and left 11 firefighters injured.

# SOUTH KOREAN/CONNECTION

# September 10, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:22)

KCAL9 Inland Empire Reporter Mark Sayre reports live from Moreno Valley with more on how a local manufacturing plant used to make giant gas guzzlers, but now is building electric cars, bringing green technology to the Southland's economy.

#### **GREEN CURTAINS**

# September 13, 9-10pm, newscast (TRT 0:35)

KCAL9 Anchor Leyna Nguyen reports on a 'green' idea taking hold in Japan. Houses with green curtains, made of living vegetation. Long vines are hung on old seaweed nets donated by Japanese fishermen. We don't know whether this idea would work in California, since the vines require a lot of water, and seaweed nets may be hard to find.

# **SAN CLEMENTE PIGEONS**

# September 16, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 1:48)

KCAL9 Orange County Reporter Michele Gile reports that San Clemente is getting ready to take on its pigeon population. There have been countless complaints about too many birds and too many droppings. The showdown is at the San Clemente Pier in the south Orange County seaside community.

#### VAIL FIRE

# September 19, 8-9pm newscast (TRT 1:58)

NewsCentral Reporter Suraya Fadel reports live from the scene where a major wildfire has erupted tonight in Riverside County. The fire is near Vail Lake, east of Temecula. We zoom in to a map to show viewers exactly where we're talking about, at Sage Road near Highway 79.

## **FILLMORE FIRE**

# September 22, 2-3pm newscast (TRT 3:15)

NewsCentral Reporter Stacey Butler reports live from the scene of breaking news—at least two large fires burning in Southern California. the Fillmore Fire broke out this morning and it's burning between Fillmore and Moorpark.

# **GROWING GREEN**

# September 25, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 2:37)

NewsCentral Anchor Dave Gonzales reports on how NewsCentral is committed to bringing you stories you won't see anywhere else. This afternoon, a Long Beach community takes back its neighborhood by 'growing green'. The Wrigley Historic District is the site of brand new community gardens, planting seeds of hope for their children and each other.

# **SAVING RAINWATER**

# September 28, 12-1pm newscast (TRT 0:52)

NewsCentral Anchor Sandra Mitchell reports that California's drought has some families collecting rain water. The McKinnons are part of a pilot program by the city of L.A. that started in July. It's called the Rainwater Harvesting Program.